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(57) Abstract

There is provided a treatment for patients suffering from neurodegenerative disease or neural injury including the steps of transplanting cultured bone marrow cells into the spinal cord or brain or injecting intravascularly bone marrow cells of a patient in need. Also provided is a method of activating the differentiation of neural cells in an injured brain including the steps of transplanting bone marrow cells adjacent to the injured brain cells and activating the endogenous central nervous system stem cells to differentiate into neurons. A method of treating injured brain or spinal cord cells is also provided including the steps of transplanting bone marrow cells near the injured brain cells and generating new neurons at the location of transplantation. A method of treating injured brain or spinal cord cells with a composite of MSCs and neurospheres.

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Rule 71.1)

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25 OCT 2001

Applicant's or agent's file reference

International application No.

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1059.00042

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

11 MAY 2000

Priority Date (day/month/year)

14 MAY 1999

Applicant

HENRY FORD HEALTH SYSTEM

The applicant is hereby notified that this International Preliminary Examining Authority transmits herewith 1. the international preliminary examination report and its annexes, if any, established on the international

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- A copy of the report and its annexes, if any, is being transmitted to the International Bureau for 2. communication to all the elected Offices.
- Where required by any of the elected Offices, the International Bureau will prepare an English translation of 3. the report (but not of any annexes) and will transmit such translation to those Offices.

REMINDER 4.

The applicant must enter the national phase before each elected Office by performing certain acts (filing translations and paying national fees) within 30 months from the priority date (or later in some Offices)(Article 39(1))(see also the reminder sent by the International Bureau with Form PCT/IB/301).

Where a translation of the international application must be furnished to an elected Office, that translation must contain a translation of any annexes to the international preliminary examination report. It is the applicant's responsibility to prepare and furnish such translation directly to each elected Office concerned.

For further details on the applicable time limits and requirements of the elected Offices, see Volume Π of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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Examining Authority and is	ary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.			
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IV Lack of unity of invention V X Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability, citations and explanations supporting such statement				
VI Certain documents				
VII Certain defects in t	the international application			
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VIII Certain observation	is on the international approximation			
Date of submission of the demand	Date of completion of this report			
15 NOVEMBER 2000	20 SEPTEMBER 2001			
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	Claims	1-4	YES
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From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF OR THE DECLARATION

THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48334 (PCT Rule 44.1) Date of Mailing (day/month/year) 19 SEP 2000 Applicant's or agent's file reference FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below 1059.00042 International filing date (day/month/year) International application No. 11 MAY 2000 PCT/US00/12875 **Applicant** HENRY FORD HEALTH SYSTEM

1. X	The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report has been established and is transmitted herewith.
<u> </u>	Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19: The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46):
	When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report; however, for more details, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.
	Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35
	For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.
2.	The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect is transmitted herewith.
3 []	With regard to the protest against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:
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	no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.
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Sh	ortly after 18 months from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in rules 90 bis 1 and 90 bis 3, respectively, before the priority claim, the technical preparations for international publication.
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Applicant's or agent's file reference 1059.00042	ACTION (Form PCT/ISA/	of Transmittal of International Search Report 220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.		
International application No.	International filing date (day/month/year			
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according to Article 18. A copy is being	ng transmitted to the International Bureau.	Authority and is transmitted to the applicant		
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC(7) :A61K 35/00 US CL :424/93.1			
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c. Doc	UMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where ap	propriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 5,750,376 (WEISS et al.) 12 May	1998, entire document.	1-4
A	US 5,690,927 (MAJOR et al.) document.	25 November 1997, entire	1-4
A	JACKOWSKI et al. Neural injury repartiers to effective CNS regeneration Neurosurgery. 1995. Vol. 9, pages 3	become clearer. British J.	1-4
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED Electronic data bases consulted (Name of data base and where practicable terms used):		
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NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION

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14 May 1999 (14.05.99)

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1.	The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made: X in the demand filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on: 15 November 2000 (15.11.00)
	in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:
2	was not made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).
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